BEFORE THE POSTAL RATE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268–0001

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Docket No. R2000-1

REVISED RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
TO INTERROGATORY OF
THE MAJOR MAILERS ASSOCIATION
REDIRECTED FROM WITNESS PATELUNAS
(MMA/USPS-ST44-7(b) and (c)) -- ERRATA

The United States Postal Service hereby provides its revised response to the following interrogatory of the Major Mailers Association: MMA/USPS-ST44-7(b) and (c), filed on July 24, 2000, and redirected from witness Patelunas. The original response was filed on August 4, 2000. The revision is made to be consistent with the revised response to Presiding Officer's Information Request No. 14, being filed today.

The interrogatory is stated verbatim and is followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

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MMA/USPS-ST44-7 Please refer to USPS-ST-44A.

- (a) Please confirm that the Postal Service projects a \$275.3 million loss in the test year after rates? If you cannot confirm, please provide the correct net revenue impact of the updated costs to FY 1999.
- (b) Is the \$275.3 million loss acceptable in order for the Postal Service to meet its breakeven mandate? Please explain.
- (c) If your answer to part (b) is no, please explain what changes the Postal Service has made to its originally proposed rates in order for it to break even.

Response:

- (a) Answered by witness Patelunas.
- (b) The approximate \$475.3 deficiency reflected in the revised response to Presiding Officer's Information Request No. 14 resulted from the Postal Service's response to PRC Order No. 1294 and does not represent a change to the Docket No. R2000-1 Request.
- (c) See the response to b.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

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